

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

ORDER NO. 82-17

NPDES NO. CA0037810

ORDER AMENDING ORDER NO. 79-169 TO ADOPT
REVISED WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR:

CITY OF PETALUMA - WATER POLLUTION
CONTROL PLANT
SONOMA COUNTY

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region (hereinafter Board) finds that:

1. The Board, on December 18, 1979 adopted Order No. 79-169 prescribing waste discharge requirements for the City of Petaluma (hereinafter discharger) Water Pollution Control Plant. On November 4, 1980, the Board adopted Order No. 80-54, amending Order No. 79-169 to provide a revised time schedule for compliance with Effluent Limitation B.1.b, and Prohibition A.4.
2. Regional Board Order No. 79-169 contains a prohibition against discharge of waste to the Petaluma River from May 1 through November 30 of each year. This prohibition is based on the limited dilution capacity of the river during this period and the documented water quality problems that exist in the river during some dry weather months.
3. Based on a further review of water quality data for the Petaluma River, the Board finds that beneficial uses will not be significantly impaired if the prohibition period is shortened to the interval of May 1 through October 20 of each year.
4. The City reports that Federal and State Clean Water Grants have been offered and accepted in January 1982 for the treatment plant upgrade and effluent disposal project to comply with Effluent Limitation B.1.b and Prohibition A.4. A construction time schedule has been discussed with Board staff.
5. As this project is an NPDES permit amendment, this Board, pursuant to Water Code Section 13389, is not required to comply with the provisions of Chapter 3 of Division 13 of the Public Resources Code (California Environmental Quality Act).
6. The Board has notified the discharger and interested agencies and persons of its intent to prescribe revised requirements for the City of Petaluma Water Pollution Control Plant.

7. The Board, in a public meeting, heard and considered all comments pertaining to this discharge.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- A. Paragraph A, item 4, page 3, of this Board's Order No. 79-169, is amended to read as follows:

"4. The discharge of wastewater to the Petaluma River is prohibited from May 1 through October 20 of each year. The Executive Officer may authorize discharge prior to October 20 or subsequent to May 1 based upon a demonstration that rainfall has produced adequate flushing flow in the Petaluma River."

- B. Provision E.1, of this Board's Order No. 79-169 is amended to read as follows:

"E. Provisions

1. The discharger shall comply with the following time schedule to achieve compliance with Prohibition A.4, and Effluent Limitation B.1.b:

<u>Task</u>	<u>Completion Date</u>
a. Advertise for constructions bids	March 18, 1982
b. Open construction bids	April 1, 1982
c. Award construction contract	June 1, 1982
d. Complete construction	December 1, 1983
e. Full compliance	January 1, 1984"

I, Fred H. Dierker, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region, on March 17, 1982.

FRED H. DIERKER
Executive Officer